

Pictured on this train leaving the Heber Depot are Laura Clyde, H. Clay Cummings, Nora Clyde, Elthoria Hicken, Storm McDonald and one unidentified man. Railroad travel was a real boon to valley residents.

west without any of those long, tiresome waits. If you have business in Salt Lake you can take the 6:40 A.M. train—arrive in the City 10:00 o'clock; returning you can leave Salt Lake at 5 o'clock P.M. and reach Heber at 8:05. This gives you seven hours in the metropolis, and the whole of the business day in the city which is from 10 o'clock to 5. On the other hand our Salt Lake friends can leave there at 8 A.M., reach Heber at 11:10 A.M. spend 3½ hours in Heber and leave riving in Salt Lake at 5:35 in the evening."

The community leaders were sufficiently moved by the significance of the occasion that they planned a special railroad holiday on Friday, October 6, 1899 and invited people from all over the state to attend.

The railroad company set up a special train of seven cars which arrived in Heber at 3 p.m., carrying many state dignitaries, including Governor J. T. Hammond, Provo City officials and some 400 persons.

Residents of Heber and Wasatch County along with the Heber Brass Band met the train and its passengers at the depot and proceeded to the court house yard where a special platform had been erected.

Here a special program began with an address of welcome by Abram Hatch, stake president. Mayor Jones of Provo made a brief response and each of the state officials present spoke for a few minutes. These included Gov. Hammond, James Chipman, state treasurer; Morgan Richards, Jr., state auditor; J. J. Thomas, secretary of the state board of equalization and U. S. Senator Reed Smoot. Numerous railroad officials and officers

of Provo City were also honored. Music was furnished by quartets from Heber and Provo and by the Heber Brass Band.

After the program the large crowd adjourned to Heber Social (old hall) Hall where they were served free food between 4 and 7 p.m. A dance in Turner's Hall during the evening concluded the festivities. The special train left Heber shortly after 10 p.m. and arrived in Provo at 12:30 a.m.

Of the day's activities, the "Wave" commented:

"All seemed to enjoy themselves during the afternoon and evening, and we believe the visitors went home feeling that they had been well treated by the people of Heber and having a somewhat warmer feeling toward us than they formerly had."

The coming of the railroad gave rise to a number of related businesses, including "hack" service. Frank Carlile of the Heber Livery Stable was one of the most reliable drivers of the time. He met all the trains leaving town or arriving. Often his hack was so loaded with townspeople, traveling salesmen or other travelers that two or three had to stand on the step at the rear of the buggy. His reputation was for reliability, and people knew they could always catch their train if they rode with Frank Carlile.

Station agents that have followed Mr. Sullivan include A. A. Tyree, assisted by Nate C. Coleman; a Mr. Harmon; Joseph Ely who served some 20 years, and the present agent, Roger Felt, who has been at the station some 19 years.

Advancements in truck transportation and the convenience of automobile travel has cut deeply into the railroad's business, so that the train makes only one run into the valley each week at present.



Lt. Russell Maughan flew the first airplane into Heber in 1921. Schools were closed and people gathered to look at their first flying machine. Shown here is some of the crowd that gathered around the old DeHaviland plane.